

Tennessee State Library and Archives

LETTERS OF THE TENNESSEE GOVERNORS ARCHIBALD ROANE 1801 - 1803 (PART 2)

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NAME	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
NA	1801	Knoxville, TN	Outing	Commissions James Saunders, William Seawell, and John Barr as Sumner County Justices of the Peace
NA	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Daniel Smith (General) and Abraham Maury (Major) to examine and correct record books of the Military Land Office in Nashville
NA	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Joseph Bishop as a Captain of the Smith County militia

Governor Roane's secretary kept a ledger book of outgoing letters from the governor. The following listings are pages from this book.

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Tennessee General Assembly	224	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	State of the State address to the state legislature
*County Sheriffs	225	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Circular ordering that elections be held for a representative to the US Congress
*Brigadier Generals of the state militia	226	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Circular ordering that elections be held for Major General

*Overton, John	227	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Notifies Overton of appointment as commissioner to KY and gives directions regarding his mission
*Governor of Kentucky	228	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for a copy of a resolution of the Tennessee State Legislature and states the appointment of John Overton as commissioner to KY
*Governor of Maryland	229	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for results of Tennessee State Legislature's consideration of a resolution from MD to amend the US Constitution

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Governor of Kentucky	230	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for resolution of the Tennessee State Legislature concerning a proposal by KY for a road from KY to GA
*President of the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina	231	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Informs that the Tennessee State Legislature has considered a petition concerning taxation of TN land owned by the university but feels that the state constitution prohibits special taxation
*Governor of Virginia	232	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for an act of the Tennessee State Legislature about the boundary between TN and VA and seeks arrangements for commissioners to meet

*Governor of North Carolina	233	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Encloses an act of the Tennessee State Legislature and notifies of the appointment of Charles McClung as a commissioner to NC regarding the settlement of land claims
*McClung, Charles (Major)	234	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Notifies McClung of appointment as commissioner to NC and gives directions for his mission
*Madison, James (US Secretary of State)	235	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Encloses a copy of an act of the Tennessee State Legislature regarding land records and requests a copy of Washington County records held in Madison's office
*Dickson, William	236	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Appoints Dickson to obtain a copy of Washington County Land Office records from the US Secretary of State's [James Madison] office
*Whiteside, Jenkin (Attorney General)	237	1801	Grassey Valley	Out	Desires that Whiteside start an inquiry into the murder of Ephraim Leith in Knoxville
*Russell, John	238	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commission to copy land entry books and send the copies to Roane
*Williams, John	239	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commission to copy land entry books and send the copies to Roane

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Members of the US Congress from TN	240	1801	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives directions concerning opposition to federal claims to vacant lands in TN

*Williams (Governor of North Carolina)	241	1802	Knox County, TN	Out	Acknowledges receipt of extradition request for John Pyburn but informs of his escape
*Whiteside, Jenkin (Attorney General)	242	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests opinion regarding commission of John Hunt as Sheriff of Claiborne County
*Smith, Daniel (General) and Maury, Abraham (Major)	243	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Smith and Maury to edit transcriptions of land records by Martin Armstrong and give them to the Mero District Clerk of the Superior Court
*Armstrong, Martin (General)	244	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Armstrong to transcribe land records of the Military Land Office in Nashville and give them to Daniel Smith and Abraham Maury for editing
*Dickson, William	245	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for a plan concerning the distribution of funds derived from land sales
*NA	246	1802	*NA	Out	Abstract of a plan to provide for public education with funds derived from the sale of vacant lands
*Governor of Virginia	247	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	States that Moses Fisk, John Sevier, and George Rutledge are commissioned to settle the boundary between TN and VA and seeks meeting arrangements
*Cocke, William	248	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Proposes an amendment to a federal postage bill to allow mail at no cost between state governors

*Anderson, Joseph	249	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses plans and options regarding roads through Indian Lands
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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Williams, Benjamin (Governor of N.C.)	250	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Declines to extradite Donelson Tyrrell and others unless better evidence of their conviction be provided
*Cocke, William	251	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Expresses caution to a proposal that attempts to alter the resolution accepting the cession of land from NC
*Members of US Congress from TN	252	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for a proposal concerning federal claims to vacant land in TN
*NA	253	1802	*NA	*NA	Copy of a proposal concerning federal claims to vacant land in TN
*Governor of Virginia	254	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Appoints the home of James Thompson of Washington County, VA as a place for state commissioners to meet on Monday, May 3rd
*Field Officers of Jackson County	255	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Forwards a copy of a resolution of the Tennessee State Legislature and requests that effort be made to ensure that it is adhered to by the county's citizens

*Sevier, John and Rutledge, George (Generals)	256	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Rutledge and Sevier to decide the boundary between TN and VA and directs them to the home of James Thompson of Washington County, VA on Monday, May 3rd to meet VA commissioners
*Overton, John	257	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests that petition be made to Davidson and Williamson County Courts to survey a road to Natchez
*Fisk, Moses; Sevier, John; and Rutledge, George	258	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Commissions Fisk, Sevier, and Rutledge to settle the boundary line between TN and VA
*McKinney, Henry (Colonel)	259	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Warns against actions that might provoke a war with the Indians and desires that Mr. Richmond and Mr. Erwin be investigated for killing an Indian

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Meigs, Jonathan R. (Colonel)	260	1802	NG	Out	Desires to keep Meigs informed concerning the killing of an Indian
*Whiteside, Jenkin (Attorney General)	261	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Desires to keep Whiteside informed concerning the killing of an Indian and leaves any legal action to him
*Butler (Colonel)	262	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses status of proposed road to Natchez

*Smith, Daniel (General)	263	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives status of transcribing military land records by Armstrong
*Meigs (Colonel)	264	1802	NG	Out	Discusses arrest of John Richmond for killing an Indian
*Meigs (Colonel)	265	1802	NG	Out	Discusses rumors that Indians plan to prevent repairs to the Cumberland Road and suggests informing them that the road is sanctioned by the President of the US
*Dearborn, Henry (Secretary of War)	266	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Request to have the road to Natchez diverted to go through Franklin, TN
*Williams, Benjamin (Governor of NC)	267	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Repeats doubts concerning the conviction and extradition of Donelson and Tyrrell
*Secretary of Pennsylvania	268	1802	NG	Out	Acknowledges receipt of the fourth volume of PA laws
*Fisk, Moses	269	1802	Knox County, TN	Out	Informs that arrangements to meet with VA commissioners have been changed to October 1st at Abingdon, VA

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Martin, Joseph; Taylor, Creed; and Johnston, Peter	270	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Agrees to change the meeting of the commissioners to set the boundary between TN and VA to October 1st in Abingdon, VA

*Monroe, James (Governor of Virginia)	271	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Agrees to change the meeting of the commissioners to set the boundary between TN and VA to October 1st in Abingdon, VA
*Madison, James (Secretary of State)	272	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Repeats request for copies of TN land entry books held by Madison's office
*Lovely, William L. (Major)	273	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses details regarding the death of an Indian in Sevier County, TN
*Smith, John (Captain)	274	1802	NG	Out	Concerns incorporation of the Cumberland Turnpike Company
*Givens, Samuel; Love, Robert; and Campbell, David, Jr.	275	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives commission to inspect the Cumberland Turnpike
*Wear, Samuel (Colonel)	276	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests affidavits detailing the circumstances of the death of an Indian in Sevier County, TN
*Jackson County Court	277	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests the court to have a section of road repaired
*Clark, Thomas N.	278	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Encloses license for the Cumberland Turnpike Company, but suggests work not begin in Cherokee territory until permission can be secured
*Macrea (Major)	279	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Desires to have Indians assured that efforts are being made to satisfy justice in the case of a slain Indian

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*Hawkins, Benjamin (Colonel)	280	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses examination into the death of an Indian in Sevier County

*Wear, Samuel (Colonel)	281	1802	NG	Out	Expresses grief over the murder of Tavenor Runnion by Indians but cautions against vigilante justice
*Macrea, William (Major)	282	1802	NG	Out	Informs of the murder of Tavenor Runnion by Indians and fearing vigilante retaliation, desires to warn the Indians away from the white settlers
*Hooker, John W.	283	1802	Boyd's Creek	Out	Comments on the murder of Tavenor Runnion by Indians and fearing vigilante retaliation, desires to warn the Indians away from the white settlers
*Markland, Nathan B.	284	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives \$200 for use by Markland and commissioners to set the boundary between TN and VA
*Fisk, Moses	285	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Informs that funds have been sent to Markland and discusses the mission of the commissioners to set the boundary between TN and VA
*Meigs, Return J. (Colonel)	286	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Details the murder of Tavenor Runnion by Indians and requests that demands be conveyed to the Cherokee to find the guilty persons
*Fisk, Moses; Sevier, John; and Rutledge, George	287	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Details disagreement with VA over the powers of the commissioners to set the boundary between VA and TN
*Governor of NC	288	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests that a petition for a commissioner from TN to copy land records from NC be laid before the North Carolina State Legislature again

*Governor of KY	289	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for a resolution of the Tennessee State Legislature [subject unnamed]
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*Members of US Congress from TN	291	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Cover letter for resolutions of the Tennessee State Legislature
*Members of US Congress from TN	292	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Desires information concerning a proclamation of the Spanish Intendant in New Orleans
*Members of US Congress from TN	293	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses status of federal claims to vacant land in TN
*Turner, James (Governor of NC)	294	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests a copy of maps or descriptions for the boundary between TN and NC decided upon by commissioners
*Dillon, Thomas	295	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Refuses to appoint temporary Justices of the Peace stating that the state constitution doesn't permit it
*Dearborn, Henry (Secretary of War)	296	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Acknowledges presidential request for the state militia to discourage Indians from going to the capitol without passports
*Wheeler, Israel	297	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Promises to acknowledge receipt of US laws
*Wear, Samuel (Colonel)	298	1802	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives details of meeting with Cherokee chiefs regarding the murder of Tavenor Runnion

*Winton, John and Jackson, Taylor	1803	298	NG	Out	Commissions to inspect the Cumberland Turnpike
*Montgomery, Hugh	299	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Warns white settlers to remove from Indian lands

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Arbuckle, James (Captain)	300	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Warns Arbuckle and his neighbors to remove from Indian lands or face prosecution in federal court
*Punch, John	301	1803	Jonesborough, TN	Out	Gives commission to transcribe the Entry Books of Adair's land office in Sullivan County
*Turner, James (Governor of North Carolina)	302	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Refuses to extradite Stockly Donelson
*Winchester, James (Brigadier General of Mero District)	303	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Forwards a copy of a letter from the US Secretary of War stating that the President wants to discourage Indians from going to the capitol
*White, James (Brigadier General of Hamilton District)	304	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Forwards a copy of a letter from the US Secretary of War stating that the President wants to discourage Indians from going to the capitol and warns against unauthorized military action against LA

*Whiteside, Jenkin (Attorney General)	305	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Seeks legal advice about turning over a sheriff's bond to an individual for a law suit
*Anderson County settlers on Indian lands	306	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Repeats warning to remove from Indian lands
*Governor of South Carolina	307	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Concerns an accusation of murder made in SC against John Nevin of Grainger County, TN
*Dearborne [sic], Henry (Secretary of War)	308	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Details attacks on travelers on the road to Natchez and desires action to be taken to protect them
*Winchester, James (General)	309	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Requests further information about the murder of Reuben White on the road to Natchez and seeks advice on possible action to ensure travelers' safety

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NAME	PAGE	YEAR	PLACE	INCOMING OUTGOING	SUBJECT
*Meigs (Colonel)	310	1803	NG	Out	Advises on a business transaction between Mr. Flatt and Mr. Reiley involving the sale or loan of a horse
*Garrard, James	311	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Acknowledges compliance with demand to extradite Robert Wyly/ Wyley
*Boyd, John (Sheriff of Davidson County)	312	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Order to turn over Robert Wyley and a bill of expenses to David Early for extradition to KY

*Meigs (Colonel)	313	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Argues for the release of William Sharp from imprisonment for seditious statements
*Turner (Governor)	314	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Repeats refusal to extradite Stockley Donelson
*Smith, Dan (General)	315	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Informs that the President has called Congress into session for the 17th of October
*Meigs (Colonel)	316	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses probable guilt of Trainum for the murder of Major Brashear
*Taylor, Joesph(Captain)	317	1803	NG	Out	Discusses probable guilt of Trainum for murder of Major Brashear and possibilty of apprehending him
*Breazeale, Henry	318	1803	NG	Out	Discusses probable guilt of Trainum for murder of Major Brashear and possibilty of apprehending him
*Winchester, James (General)	319	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Discusses efforts to ensure safety of travelers on the road to Natchez and requests information on the reported death of Mason, a notorious villain

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*Madison, James	320	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Reports failure to receive copies of laws of the US
*Dickson, William (Doctor)	321	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Informs that the President has called congress into session for the 17th of October

*Blount, Willie and Campbell, Patrick	322	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Gives commission to examine and transcribe Entry books from the land offices of Sullivan and Greene Counties
*Boyd, John (Sheriff of Davidson County)	323	1803	NG	Out	Gives orders to turn over Robert Slaughter to John Haclin for extradition to IN if possible
*Dickson, William (Doctor)	324	1803	Knoxville, TN	Out	Informs that the President has called Congress into session for the 17th of October
*Maclin, John	325	1803	NG	Out	Informs of order to extradite Robert Slaughter if his crimes in TN do not make it impossible to release him
*Tennessee State Legislature	326	1803	NG [Knoxville, TN]	Out	State of the State address